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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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10/02/2012: From 10-20 February, 2012, Darko J28AA will operate from Hargeisa, Republic of Somaliland (WW Loc. LJ29AN). License has been granted and call sign to be issued upon arrival. He will use an FT-857D with multiband vertical antenna 40-10m. Note: this is a vacation trip whereby Darko will also try to teach local radio amateurs in Hargeisa and perhaps to establish a radio club. He will donate a shortwave transceiver IC-735 with appropriate antenna. QSL via K2PF or E77E. [dx-world.net]

10/02/2012: The members of Azorean Department of Oeste DX Gang, inc. Carlos CU3CO, Ivo CU3BR, Pedro CU3DI, Paulo CU3CC, Ermelinda CU3YO and Mike CU3HY will active on all bands as CS4ODX/p from the 10th till 12th of February 2012 from Forte do Negrito (WCA CT-00280, DMHP AZ-004), located on Terceira Island (EU-175, DIP AZ-003, PIP AC-003, WLOTA 0524). QSL via CU3HY. [RN1CW]

10/02/2012: DP7D/p will be on air February 10th at the Ice of the Lake Duemmer [Nature Park Duemmer] (DLFF-051 / WLA DLL-013) from 09:00 UTC on 40m SSB (7144 kHz +/-) + CW 40/30 or 20m at the same time with QRP. Operators will be Holger, DF1QR and Mario, DC7CCC. QSL via DF1QR, Bureau or direct. [DL5AWI]

10/02/2012: Al, W6HGF, will be active as FP/W6HGF from the island of Miquelon (DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417, WW Loc. GN17TC), St. Pierre & Miquelon (NA-032) from 10-20th February 2012, depending on transportation, weather etc.. Operation is planned to be focused on digital, mostly RTTY, including entry in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (11-12 February) as well as a presence in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February). QSL will be through LoTW, each evening as he can, and paper QSL cards once Al gets back home. Website: www.qsl.net/w6hgf/FP_W6GHF_2012.html [NG3K]

10/02/2012: Take, JS6RRR, will be active as KH2/JS6RRR from the island of Guam (OC-026, USI GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064, Grid Loc. QK23) on 10-14th February 2012. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

10/02/2012: Kazu, JA1IST, plans to be active from the Palau rental shack, Koror island, Republic of Palau (OC-009, WW Loc. PJ77FI), as T88ZO between 10-19 February, 2012. QRV on all HF bands, CW/RTTY/SSB. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [dx-world.net]

10/02/2012: William, W0OR, is currently QRV from Guatemala until 27 March, 2012 with the call TG8/W0OR. He will be active on the HF bands on CW and RTTY. QSL via home call. [DXCoffee]

10/02/2012: Steve, 9M6DXX, will be QRV as V85/9M8Z from Brunei (OC-088, WLOTA 1628) starting around 0900 UTC on Friday 10 February until about 0100 UTC on Monday 13 February, 2012. Activity will be on 80-10m, SSB only, using a Butternut HF6-V vertical on top of the hotel roof over 100ft high. On 80m Steve plans to use a quarter-wave inverted-L with elevated radials, also around 100ft high. Sunrise in Brunei is at 2236 UTC, sunset at 1033 UTC. QSL via M0URX direct (with SAE and $2 or 1 new IRC), Bureau, OQRS (see http://m0urx.com/oqrs) or

LoTW. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within a day or two of the operation concluding. [dx-world.net]

10/02/2012: Keith, K5ENS, is once again currently active as XE3/K5ENS from Isla Mujeres (NA-045, WFF XEFF-020, WLOTA 1716) until 1 April, 2012. QRV on all HF bands and modes. QSL via his Isla Mujeres address as listed in QRZ.com. [rsgbiota.org]

10/02/2012: Take, JA6CNH will be active as XV2CNH from Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, on 10-15 February, 2012. He will be QRV on 160-6 metre CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via home call, direct only. [425 DX News]

10/02/2012: Bruce, AA4XR (ex XW1B) will be active again from Vientiane, Laos, between 10th and 20th February, 2012. He can be QRV only on 40, 30 and 20 metres, at least for the time being. He plans to participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February). QSL via E21EIC, direct only. [425 DX News]

11/02/2012: Iain, G4SGX, will be active from Paro, Bhutan, as A52JF from 11-15 February, 2012. He will operate CW, SSB, PSK and JT65 on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, eQSL and LoTW. Website: www.g4sgx.org/blog/ [425 DX News]

11/02/2012: Look for Hermann CT3FN/HB9CRV to be active as CR2V in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (11-12 February) from the CU8AS QTH, next to the Albarnaz lighthouse (DFP FAZ-02, TWLHD WLH CU-008, WLOL AZO-016, WLOTA 0947, WW Loc. HM49JM), Ponta Delgada, Flores Island (EU-089, DIP AZ-008), Azores. Plans are for a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via HB9CRV, direct or Bureau. [HB9CRV]

11/02/2012: Sigi, DK9FN and Peter, DG1FK will be active again as H40FN (CW) and H40FK (digital modes) from the Lata Motel, Nendo Island (OC-100), Temotu Province, on 11-24 February 2012. QSL H40FN via HA8DD (new QSL manager), QSL H40FK via DG1FK. Further information, QSLling instructions and operating tips can be found at QRZ.com under H40FN. Pictures and wrap-ups of H40FN's 2009-11 expeditions can be found at: www.hari-ham.com/ [425 DX News]

11/02/2012: Torkel, LA6VJA, will be active for one day only as JW6VJA from Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125), Svalbard Archipelago, on 11 February, 2012. Darkness all day, so probably working the low bands only, expecting dead bands above 10 MHz. QSL via LA6VJA, direct (P.O.Box 1036 Jeloy, NO-1510 Moss, Norway) or LOTW. [LA6VJA]

11/02/2012: Operators Olli OH6CT, Jari OH8WW, Esa OH8KTN and Jouni OH8GDU will be active as OH8X from Radio Arcala, Finland (CQ zone 15), as a Multi-Op entry in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (11-12 February). QSL via OH2UA. [OH2BN]

11/02/2012: Look for Gary, AK4GP, to be active from the island of Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) as PJ7/AK4GP from 11-17 February, 2012. He will be QRP on 40-20m CW, using an Elecraft KX1. QSL via LoTW preferred. [dx-world.net]

11/02/2012: Robert, ST2AR, will be active as a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (11-12 February) from Khartoum, Sudan, for CQ zone 34. QSL direct to S53R (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

11/02/2012: Jeff, K0UU, plans to be active as V31SG from St. George's Island (NA-073), Belize, between 11-20th February, 2012. Look for him on 40-10m, CW only. Jeff will also participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February) as a Single-Op/QRP entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to home call. [dx-world.net]

11/02/2012: Larry, XW0ZJZ (XW1A), will be active as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (11-12 February) from Vientiane, Laos (CQ zone 26). QSL via E21EIC, direct only. [NG3K]

12/02/2012: Sosho, JA4JWD, will be active from the island of Saipan (USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc. QK25UF), Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086) from 12-16 February, 2012. QRV on 80-6 metre SSB + Digital modes, perhaps CW. QSL via home call, direct or by the JARL Bureau. [NG3K]

13/02/2012: Drew N2RFA, Gene K2KJI and Ivars KC4PX will be active as C6ABB, C6ALC and C6APX, respectively, from Cable Beach, Nassau, New Providence island (NA-001, WLOTA 1115, WW Loc. FL15HB) from 13-23 February, 2012. Plans are to be QRV on 80, 20, 15, 12 and 10 metre SSB, PSK31, RTTY, SSTV and JT65. QSL via home calls, direct and eQSL. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [dx-world.net]

13/02/2012: Look for Kevin K4PG (C6APG), Bob N4BP (C6AKQ) and Brian K7RE (C6ALK) to be active on all HF bands from Grand Bahama Island (NA-080, WLOTA 0527) between 13-20 February, 2012. This will include a Multi-Single entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February), using the callsign C6AKQ. QSL direct only to the operator's respective home callsign. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. [NG3K]

13/02/2012: John, N5JB plans to be active from the island of Rarotonga, South Cook Islands (OC-013) as E51NJB from 13-21 February, 2012 (possibly extending to 25th.). QRV mainly CW, with participation in ARRL DX CW Contest expected. QSL via N5JB. [dx-world.net]

13/02/2012: Valery, R5GA, will once again be active from Ducos, island of Martinique (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA LH-1041, DDFM 97) as FM/R5GA from 13-20 February, 2012. Valery will also participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry using the callsign TO5X. QSL both callsigns via UA3DX and LoTW. [dx-world.net]

13/02/2012: Jim, N6TJ and Rick, N6ND will once again be active from Ascension Island (IOTA AF-003, WLOTA 1491) as ZD8Z and ZD8R, respectively, from 13-28th February, 2012. Look for ZD8Z to be active in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February) as a Single-Op entry. Outside of the contest both calls will be QRV on all HF bands. QSL ZD8R via N6ND, Bureau or direct. QSL ZD8Z via AI4U, Bureau or direct. [dx-world.net]

14/02/2012: Eric, OE4AAC, will be actve as 3B9/OE4AAC on 14-21 February 2012 from Rodrigues Island (AF-017, WFF 3BFF-004, WLOTA 4265). Plans are for a single Op, CW only operation, on 40-10 metres. QSL to OE4AAC, direct or via Bureau. [NG3K]

14/02/2012: Look for Larry K3VX (8P9VX), Bill W3WH (8P9WH) and Carl K9CS (8P9CS) to be active from the island of Barbados (NA-021, WLOTA 0999) from 14-22 February 2012. This will include a Multi-Op entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February), using the callsign 8P5Y (QSL via K9CS). They plan to be active on all bands and modes. QSL via home calls. [NG3K]

14/02/2012: Mario, DL2UX (ex-TY1JB), plans activity from Graciosa island (EU-175, DIP AZ-004, PIP AC-004, WLOTA 0113) as CT8/DL2UX between 14-22 February, 2012. QRV on HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [dx-world.net]

14/02/2012: Bob, W4OWY (V25WY) and Tom, AA9A (V25AA) will be active from the island of Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118, Grid Loc FK97) from 14-22 February, 2012. Tom will be active in the ARRL DX CW contest (18-19 February) using the callsign V25AA. They will be on 160-10 metre SSB, CW and maybe RTTY. QSL via the Bureau or direct to home calls. [NG3K]

15/02/2012: Dave, G3TBK, will once again be active as J88DR from Kingstown, island of St. Vincent (NA-109, WLOTA 0492) between 15 February and 14 March,

2012. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (3-4 March) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He will also be in the RSGB's 74rd Commonwealth Contest (10-11 March). Activity outside of the contest will be on all HF bands, especially 30/17/12 metres, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via G3TBK, direct or by the RSGB Bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

15/02/2012: Mitko, LZ1UQ and Andy, LZ2HM will be active from Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island (WLOTA 0125), Svalbard archipelago (EU-026) as JW/homecalls from 15-21 February, 2012. Activity will be on all the HF bands. They will also participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February). QSL via home calls, direct or Bureau. [DxAt]

15/02/2012: Operators Bill N7OU, Bob W7YAQ, Al K7AR and Rock NE7D will be active as VP5OU from Turks & Caicos (NA-002) in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct only to N7OU. Outside the contest (15-22 February), they will be signing VP5/homecalls on 160-10 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home calls. [NG3K]

16/02/2012: Naoki, JS3LSQ, plans to be active from Saipan Island (USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc. QK25UF), Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086) as KH0WJ from 16-21 February, 2012. QRV on 80-10 metres, with the possibility of some 6 metre activity. QSL via home call.

16/02/2012: Rochester DX Association (RDXA) Members Redd AI2N, Ken N2ZN and Dave WJ2O will be active as PZ5RO from the QTH of Ramon, PZ5RA, located just west of the Capital City of Paramaribo, Republic of Suriname (WW Loc. GJ25KU), from 16-21 February, 2012. This will include a multi-single high power effort in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February). QSL via AI2N. Further information can be found at: www.wj2o.com/ [NG3K]

16/02/2012: Will, AA4NC, will once again be QRV from Placencia Village (WW Loc. EK56TM), Stann Creek District, Belize, from 16-26 February, 2012. He will also participate as a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February). Outside the contest activity will be on all HF bands, CW, RTTY and SSB. He will also be monitoring 6 metres for any openings (50W; 4el wide spaced beam). QSL via AI4U. [NG3K]

16/02/2012: Eddy, ON4AFU (www.on4afu.net), will be active as XU7AFU from Kampang Song, Cambodia, between 16-25 February, 2012. Look for him to be QRV on 80-10 metres, with focus on CW. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [425 DX News]

17/02/2012: Al, JA9APS, will be active as T88KF from the West Plaza by the Sea Hotel, Koror Island, Republic of Palau (OC-009, WW Loc. PJ77FI), from 17-21 February 2012. QRV holiday style probably on 40-6 metre SSB, CW and RTTY, with a TS-570S and R8 vertical, 5 element yagi for 6m. QSL via his home call Direct address is: Narumi Kawai, 1-10-14 Suwanokawara, Toyama, 930-0088 JAPAN. [OPDX Bulletin]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

18/02/2012: Operators Uli DJ2YA, Falk DK7YY, Ulf DL5AXX, Tom DL5LYM and Frank DL8WAA will be active as CR3L from Santana, Ilha da Madeira (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053), during the ARRL DX CW Contest as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via DJ6QT, direct or Bureau. [NG3K]

24/02/2012: John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM from Savannah, Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042), for the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (24-26 February) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry from CQ zone 8. QSL via K6AM, direct or Bureau

and LoTW. [NG3K]

29/02/2012: Look for Masayoshi, AE6YW/JI1DSO to be active as AH0/AE6YW from the island of Saipan (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc. QK25UF), Northern Mariana Islands betweeen 29 February and 6 March, 2012. QRV on 80-6m, plus the satellites. QSL via JI1DSO, direct or Bureau.

29/02/2012: Look for Adam, DJ0IF and Mek, SP7VC to be active on all bands/modes as CT9/homecalls from Santana, island of Madeira (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053, WW Loc IM12NT), between 29 February and 7 March, 2012. This will include a Multi-Single entry in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (3-4 March) using the callsign CR3L. QSL CR3L via DJ6QT. QSL CT9/DJ0IF and CT9/SP7VC via their home callsigns, Bureau or direct. [dx-world.net]

01/03/2012: Look for special event callsign 8N1MOMO to be active from 1 March until 5 April 2012 to celebrate the 36th Koga-city (JCC 1404) Momo (or Peach Blossom) Festival and the 19th Fire Balloon Contest. Koga(-city) is located in Ibaraki prefecture, Kanto region, island of Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376), Japan. QSL via the JARL QSL Bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

01/03/2012: Look for George, K4IIO / GM0IIO, to be active as C6AZZ from Grand Bahama Island (NA-080, WLOTA 0527, WW Loc. FL06UO) from 1-8 March, 2012. He will be QRV on 160-6 metres, mainly CW. George will also participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (3-4 March) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via K4IIO, direct and LoTW. [NG3K]

01/03/2012: From 1st to 28th March, 2012, Fred PA0FAW will run the special event callsign PA100NOM, celebrating 100 years of the National Open Air Museum in Arnhem, Netherlands. QSL via PA0FAW. (Direct, Bureau and eQSL.cc - No LoTW). [G-13038]

12/03/2012: Claudia, DO5NEN and Tom, DL5NEN will be operating from Mahe Island (WLOTA 3286) and La Digue Island (WLOTA 3066), Seychelle Islands (AF-024), from the 12th to 28th of March, 2012 with the call S79NEN, while on their honeymoon. They will also be active during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (24-25 March). QSL via DO5NEN. [DXCoffee]

17/03/2012: Rick, N6KT, will be active from Monte Verde, Mindelo, Ilha do S?o Vicente (AF-086, WLOTA 1976 WW Loc. HK76MV), Cape Verde, from 17-29 March, 2012 as D44TRS. He will also be active as D4A during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (24-25 March). QSL via KU9C. [dx-world.net]

21/03/2012: John K4BAI, Fred WW4LL, Brian NA4BW and Eric W4DXX will be active from the island of Bonaire (SA-006, WFF PAFF-024, WLOTA 1279) as PJ4/homecalls from 21-27 March, 2012. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. They will also be active in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (24-25 March) as PJ4Z. QSL via home calls. QSL PJ4Z via K4BAI, direct and LoTW. [DxAt]

24/04/2012: Look for Graham MM0GHM, Jason GM7VSB, Allan 2M0VNW and Arthur MM0DHQ to be active as MM0KLR from the isle of Muck (IOSA NH06, SCOTIA DI18), Inner Hebrides (EU-008), from 24 to 28 April, 2012. Expect activity on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the RSGB Bureau to MM0KLR. Direct requests only via MM0GHM (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

29/04/2012: Pete, W2GJ, will be active from the island of Saipan (USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc. QK25UF), Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086) as W2GJ/KH0 between 29 April and 3 May, 2012. Expect activity on 80-10m, all modes. There is also the possibility of some 6 metre activity. QSL via home call.

03/06/2012: Operators Max DJ4EL, Alex IZ4AMS, Enrico IK2FIL, Joerg DJ1JB, Ben DO1BEN and Enrique XE2AA will be active from Helgoland Island (EU-127, GID/DID N-014, WLOTA 0518) as DD4T from 3-10 June, 2012. QRV on 160-10 metres, using all modes. QSL via IZ4AMS, Bureau or direct. [rsgbiota.org]

11/06/2012: Chas, NK8O, will be active from Mwanza, Tanzania, as 5H9CP from 11-22 June, 2012. Primarily a CW operator he will be QRV on HF when time permits, using an Elecraft K3 and possibly various antennas. QSL via home call. [dx-world.net]

16/06/2012: Look for Keith, G3TTC, to be active holiday style as F/G3TTC from Chausey Island (EU-039, DIFM MA-004, DDFM 50, DPF 04, WLOTA 0424) between 16-22 June, 2012. QSL direct or via the RSGB Bureau to his home callsign. [rsgbiota.org]

22/06/2012: Operators Allan KV4T, Steve KI4GGJ, John AJ4T, Gaston W4CCF and Nicholas KJ4AVG will be active as homecall/p from Dauphin Island (NA-213, USi AL002S, Mobile county), Alabama, from 22-25 June, 2012. Look for KV4T/P on 17meter CW. Look for AJ4T on 20meter SSB. Others will roam the bands. QSL via the individual operator's home call. [rsgbiota.org]

01/07/2012: Peter, ON8VP, will be active holiday style from the island of Corsica (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) as TK/ON8VP from 1-6 July, 2012. QSL via home call, Bureau preferred. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2012: Look for Lars, SM6CUK, to be active from Ven Island (EU-137, WLOTA 0780) as SA6G/7 from 25-30 July, 2012. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July). QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

01/08/2012: Bob, N6OPR and Terry, N0TW will be QRV from Tarimba, La Guacima de Alajuela, Costa Rica, as TI5/K6MQ from 1-8 August, 2012. Look for activity on all HF bands. Their main goal is to participate in the Ten-Ten Summer Phone QSO Party (4-5 August). QSL via N0TW. [dx-world.net]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

10/02/2012: Jack, G0FQN, will operate special event station GB50WVR, starting on Friday 10 February, and then throughout 2012 on various dates, to celebrate 50 years of the Keighley & Worth Valley Railway. QSL via 2E1HQY direct, or via the RSGB Bureau and eQSL. Further information and updates will be available at: www.qrz.com/db/GB50WVR [GB2RS]

12/02/2012: Look for special event station TM9AAW to be on air between 12-26th February, 2012. Activity is to celebrate the 9th Antarctic Activity Week. Operation will be made by Francois, F8DVD, from his QTH of Macon in the east part of France. WAP reference for TM9AAW is 220. QRV from 40 to 10 metres, mostly SSB. QSL via F8DVD, direct (SAE + 1 IRC or 2 USD) or via the French REF Bureau. For more details, see: tm9aaw.monsite-orange.fr/ or TM9AAW on QRZ.com. [F8DVD

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

10/02 CS4ODX/P: Ilha Terceira WLOTA:0524 QSL CU3HY (d/b)
10/02-20/02 FP/W6HGF: Miquelon Island WLOTA:1417 QSL HC (d/b)
10/02-13/02 V85/9M8Z: Brunei (main island) WLOTA:1628 QSL M0URX (d/b)
11/02-12/02 CR2V: Albarnaz DFP:FAZ-02 WLH:CU-008 WLOL:AZO-016 WLOTA:0947 QSL HB9CRV (d/b)
11/02 JW6VJA: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL LA6VJA (d/LoTW)

11/02-17/02 PJ7/AK4GP: Sint Maarten Island WLOTA:0711 QSL LoTW
12/02-16/02 KH0/JA4JWD: Saipan Island WLOTA:1333 QSL JA4JWD (d/b)
13/02-23/02 C6ABB: New Providence (Nassau) WLOTA 1115 QSL N2RFA (d)
13/02-20/02 C6AKQ: Grand Bahama Island WLOTA:0527 QSL N4BP (d/LoTW)
13/02-23/02 C6ALC: New Providence (Nassau) WLOTA 1115 QSL K2KJI (d)
13/02-20/02 C6ALK: Grand Bahama Island WLOTA:0527 QSL K7RE (d/LoTW)
13/02-20/02 C6APG: Grand Bahama Island WLOTA:0527 QSL K4PG (d/LoTW)
13/02-23/02 C6APX: New Providence (Nassau) WLOTA 1115 QSL KC4PX (d)
13/02-20/02 FM/R5GA: Martinique Island WLOTA:1041 QSL UA3DX (d)
13/02-28/02 ZD8R: Ascension Island WLOTA:1491 QSL N6ND (d/b)
13/02-28/02 ZD8Z: Ascension Island WLOTA:1491 QSL AI4U (d/b)
14/02-21/02 3B9/OE4AAC: Rodrigues Island WLOTA:4265 QSL HC (d/b)
14/02-22/02 CT8/DL2UX: Ilha Graciosa WLOTA:0113 QSL HC (d/b)
14/02-22/02 V25AA: Antigua Island WLOTA:1118 QSL AA9A (d/b)
14/02-22/02 V25WY: Antigua Island WLOTA:1118 QSL W4OWY (d/b)
15/02-14/03 J88DR: St. Vincent WLOTA 0492 QSL G3TBK (d/b)
15/02-21/02 JW/LZ1UQ: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL HC (d/b)
15/02-21/02 JW/LZ2HM: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL HC (d/b)
16/02-20/02 CT9/OM3RM: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL HC (d/b)
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6 METRES & UP -

10/02-14/02 KH2/JS6RRR: Guam OC-026 Grid:QK23 6m 100w QSL HC (d/b)
11/02-12/02 Louisiana QSO Party 6/2m CW/Phone Class 11 1500z-12 0300z
11/02 Open VHF-FM contest 2m FM 1800z-2000z
12/02 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon 6m CW 12 0000z-2359z
12/02-13/02 Classic Exchange AM 50.3/144.3 SSB/FM 50.125/144.2 12 1400z-13 0800z
12/02 Memorial OK1WC (MWC) Activity 6m CW 1600z-1659z
12/02 Maine FM Simplex Contest 2m Fixed/Mobile/Rover 1900z-2300z
12/02 MRAC FM Simplex Contest 6m-70cm FM 1900z-2130z
12/02-16/02 KH0/JA4JWD: Saipan Island OC-086 Grid:QK25UF 6m SSB QSL HC (d/b)
14/02 LY 432MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1800z-2159z
14/02 NRAU 432MHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1800z-2200z
14/02 RSGB 432MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
16/02-21/02 KH0WJ: Saipan Island OC-086 Grid:QK25 6m CW/SSB QSL JS3LSQ (d/b)
16/02-26/02 V31RR: Placencia, Belize Grid:EK56 6m 50w 4el yagi QSL AI4U (d/b)
17/02-21/02 T88KF: Palau OC-009 Grid:PJ77FI 6m 5el yagi QSL JA9APS (d/b)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_feb.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated 08 February, 2012)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFORMATION -

QSLs via Bureau: 5J?A, 6V7Z, 9G5SI, 9U?A, CT8/DL7JAN, FJ/W2VQ, FJ/WQ2N, H7/AJ9C, OD5/DL6SN, P4?W, PJ2/DL8OBQ, SX24VIO, T32AJ, V31MD, VP2MUM, XE1AJ and YV2??ARV.

QSLs via Direct: 3XY1D (DL7DF), 6W1SJ (E73Y), 9N7MD (IK2VUC), C5?A (OM2FY), C5A (OM2FY), E51MAN (N7OU), E51NOU (N7OU), HV?A (IK?FVC), T32C (G3NUG/OQRS), TU2T (I2YSB), UA3AP (QRZ.com), XF1M [NA-078] (XE2HUQ), XF4IH (XE1IH) and ZL8X (DJ2MX).

QSLs via LoTW: 4W?VB, 6W7SK, AP2IA, C21HA, CR6K, DG5LAC, ES2MC, ES3ACV, HG6N, LS1D, LU4FM, PZ5RA, RA2FF, SN7Q, T32C, TN2T, TX6T/P, UA9CGL, V44KAI, VE3KB, VE3RZ, VE5MX, VP6T and ZC4LI.
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LINKS -
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wca.qrz.ru/ENG/main.html
WFF (World Flora & Fauna) at: www.wff44.org/program/wff/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/
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BITS & PIECES -

3C6A & 3C0E -
>From internet site of 3C0E gang, the new date of operation is:
3C6A 22 to 26 February
3C0E 28 February to March 11

Press release:

Hi all

We, Freddy J28RO (http://j28ro.blogspot.com) and Yan XV4Y (http://xv4y.radioclub.asia) are glad to announce you the launch of a new website that we are wishing will offer a new kind of service to the internation radioamateurs community and the Dxers.
Some months ago, we share an idea about making a website where should be published not the QSL routing informations (many websites already serve well this purpose) but informations about the quality of QSL answers from OM or QSL Managers.

It is true that during last decade with the increasing number of Mega-DXpeditions, some OM (a minority) thought they could find in QSL cards a way to finance their projects. We both agree that this is getting significantly far from the HAM spirit, since as we do understand one OM or a group of OM don't like to loose money answering QSL cards (2$ per QSL sent multiplied by tens of thousands of QSO quickly make a huge amount of money), we think that earning money with this is another story. What makes us feel better is that many major expeditions (4W6A, T32C, VP6T and many more) have confirmed their QSO through Logbook of the World in a matter of weeks if not hours!

QSLWatch.com (http://www.qslwatch.com/) is fairly simple. You tell from what station or QSL manager you received a card, you give it a mark and you add a comment if you want it.

The technical infrastructure is simple and is already working for a couple of weeks, but spare time has been missing to Freddy and me in order to put all our QSL infos in the database. As time is running we would like to share this idea with you anyway. We hope you will help us to make this website better sharing your QSLing experiences.

Wishing you all the best, Good DX and happy QSLing!

Fredy and Yan.

Halley 5 QRT -
Hi guys,
The antennas and masts at Halley 5 were removed yesterday, so the base is now officially QRT. I'll be flying back north in about a week and a half. I'd like to put Halley 6 on air again over the next two weekends, but can't make any promises at the moment.

73,
Mike, VP8DMH

RAC Bulletin 2012-008E - Amateur of the Year for 2011
2012-02-09

The RAC Board of Directors takes great pleasure in announcing the selection of Dr. Cezar Trifu, VE3LYC of Kingston, ON as the Canadian Radio Amateur of the Year for 2011. Dr. Trifu exemplifies the Canadian Amateur with numerous IOTA DXpeditions since 2008 covering Canadian Islands and recently overseas islands. He has raised the profile of Canadian Amateur operations world-wide with thousands of QSOs with DXCCs covering over six continents. His dedication to HF operations has been recognized with the DXCC Honor Roll, IOTA Honour Roll, IOTA Gold Level Awards, Canadian Islands Award and US Islands Award to name a short list of numerous awards. Cezar has also raised the national and international awareness of the Canadian Amateur scene with over twenty multi language articles in several amateur journals.

A presentation will be made to Dr. Trifu in the coming weeks with an article and more on his nomination to appear in the May-June 2012 issue of The Canadian Amateur magazine.

Paul Burggraaf, VO1PRB
RAC Corporate Secretary
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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